

WASHINGTON- Congressman Spencer Bachus is pleased to announce that he has secured a \$250,000 appropriation for the Shelby County Sheriff's Office in the 2005 Commerce, Justice, State, and Judiciary appropriations bill passed by the House yesterday evening.

The appropriation secured by Congressman Bachus will go to purchase new technology and modernize equipment.

"With Shelby County continuing growing at such a rapid pace, our law enforcement officers are facing increasing demands. Even though the technology to improve their crime prevention and investigative capabilities was available, there was no local funding to make the upgrades," said Congressman Bachus.

Bachus continued, "Sheriff Chris Curry and District Attorney Robby Owens have done an exemplary job fighting crime in Shelby County. This funding will allow them to continue that fight."

“Technology is vital in combating crime on a local level. These federal funds will help us modernize our equipment and will certainly increase the ability of the Sheriff’s office to protect Shelby County’s citizens,” said Sheriff Chris Curry.

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